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TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC

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WILLIAMS, OMSN. (INFO PRES. TOSIWO NAKAYAMA AND SPK. BETHWEL HENRY)
TTPI NO. 430

NEED YOUR URGENT ASSISTANCE TO RESOLVE PENDING PROBLEM RESULTING
FROM PALAU DISTRICT ARREST OF TAIWAN FISHING VESSEL LEGALLY UNDER
CHARTER BY TRUST TERRITORY CITIZENS FROM THE MARIANAS X BACKGROUND
X SHIP OPERATED BY FOREIGN NATIONALS CREW BUT UNDER CHARTER BY
MARIANAS FISHING CORPORATION HOME PORT SAIPAN ARRESTED BY PALAU
DISTRICT IN VIOLATION OF SHELLFISH HARVESTING X SHIP HAS LEGAL
ENTRY PERMIT INCLUDING CREW TO FISH IN TTPI WATER AS SHIP IS
UNDER CHARTER BY TT CITIZENS AND REGISTERED BY TTPI X PALAU
DISTRICT CHARGES INCLUDE ONE ILLEGAL ENTRY OF VESSEL X ILLEGAL
ENTRY OF CREW AND UNLAWFUL HARVESTING OF SHELLFISH X AS FAR AS CAN
BE DETERMINED BY TTPI AG OFFICE ONLY ONE CHARGE IS VALID X ALL O
OTHERS SEEMED FABRICATED IN ORDER TO PLACE STIFF PENALTY OF SHIP AS
IF FOREIGN WHEN IN FACT IT IS LEGALLY CHARTERED BY TTPI CITIZENS X
SOME CREW MEMBERS REQUIRED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT BUT POLICE

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DEPT. PALAU REFUSE TO ALLOW CREW TO LEAVE SHIP X PALAU RESIDENTS
RANSACKED SHIP AND STOLE PROPERTY BELONGING TO SHIP AND CREW
MEMBERS X CREW INTIMIDATED AND THREATENED X NO EFFORT FROM PALAU
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR TO PROTECT CREW AND SHIP FROM LOCAL PEOPLE X
REQUEST IMMEDIATE ACTION BY YOUR OFFICE TO STOP FURTHER ABUSE AND
TO TREAT MARIANAS CITIZENS INVOLVED IN THE PROBLEM JUSTLY AND
WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY X PALAU DISTRICT'S TREATMENT AND APPARENT

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